

Hub Article 8/25/15

The Board of Selectmen and the Town Manager would like to present the following report to the residents of Windsor as a way to share the progress in the town over the last 8 years.

To set this up in some sort of order, we will start with the changes that have been made at the Town Office and then proceed to the other parts of the town culminating with all the road work that has been done over that period of time.

Town Office

- New coating for the metal roof.
- Addition of Insulation both in the attic and below the floor.
- Basement Area-a new concrete floor with a moisture barrier was installed.
- New siding with insulation and replacement windows were added.
- The upstairs area was renovated-sanded floor/removed old carpeting/ refurbished the stage curtain/built kitchen area/re-stained the wood work.
- The downstairs area has undergone several changes; we moved the Food Bank area to the renovated Town Garage building (more on this later), we reconfigured the office area and added a new front counter.
- Installed LP Gas furnace to replace old oil furnace/a new LP Gas Generator (designed to handle all the building) and upgraded the Alarm system.

Old Town Garage Building

- Relocated the Food Bank into this building.
- Replaced the siding and garage doors for the Public Works Equipment storage area.
- Installed a new electrical service.

Public Works

- Undercoated the frames of our 2 large trucks (to prolong their life).
- Built an addition onto the Garage to provide the crew with a bathroom, equipment storage area, and office area.
- A new motorized gate will be installed soon.
- We have approval for two new snow-plow trucks.

Transfer Station

- Built a new recycling building-to provide cover and promote easier access.
- Installed two scales: one for bagged trash and the other for weighing bulky materials and large loads (drive-on).
- Built a new bulky waste/metal container area.
- Purchased two new trash compactors and associated container stands.

Windsor Rescue

- We have approval for a new Chassis with a refurbished box.

Roads

2008/2009

.25	Griffin Rd	\$90,107.02
.25	Greeley Rd	\$134,572.55

Total .50	\$224,679.57
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2009/2010

.83	Weeks Mills Rd	\$71,393.80
.05	Griffin Rd	\$ 4,401.08
.08	Wingood Rd	\$ 8,127.20
.1	Erskine Rd	\$12,116.80
.03	Greeley Rd	\$ 1,054.80
.15	Hunts Meadow Rd	\$3,686.00

Total 1.24 **\$100,739.68**

2010/2011

.7	Windsor Neck Rd	\$74,561.90
.4	Coopers Mills Rd	\$41,153.00
.02	Erskine Rd	\$ 2,320.00
1.0	Weeks Mills Rd	\$70,402.00
.8	Legion Park Rd	\$49,808.00
.05	Barton Rd	\$ 5,000.00
.001	Choate Rd	\$ 500.00
.01	Sampson Rd	\$ 1,100.00
.003	Weeks Mills Rd	\$ 5,000.00

Total 2.984 \$249,844.90

2011/2012

.6	Tyler Rd	\$ 76,009.92
<u>2.1</u>	<u>Coopers Mills Rd</u>	<u>\$183,990.08</u>

Total 2.7	\$260,000.00
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2012/2013

.7	Windsor Neck Rd	\$ 42,480.00
1.45	Griffin Rd	\$148,011.24
3.7	Coopers Mills Rd	\$241,496.00
.1	Main Street	\$ 9,950.00
.4	Weeks Mills Rd	\$ 30,030.00
.7	Wingood Rd	\$ 75,854.50
.015	Hunts Meadow Rd	\$ 2,800.00

Total 7.065 **\$550,621.74**

2013/2014

1.56	Griffin Rd	\$ 92,352.00
.6	Sampson Rd	\$ 60,671.90
1.8	Choate Rd	\$162,727.80
.35	Weeks Mills Rd	\$ 37,097.80
1.0	Barton Rd	\$ 65,697.10
.4	Wingood Rd	\$ 37,485.27

Total 6.41 **\$553,653.77**

2014/2015

.35	Weeks Mills Rd	\$ 25,512.50
1.8	Choate Rd	\$112,647.50
.6	Sampson Rd	\$ 39,642.50
.7	Barton Rd	\$ 45,922.50
1.0	Barton Rd	\$ 66,332.50
.5	Sampson Rd	\$ 42,782.50
.4	Barton Rd	\$ 31,400.00
.8	Legion Park Rd	\$ 88,529.00
.82	Erskine Rd	\$ 79,281.00
.42	Crosby Rd	\$ 39,859.00
.27	Melany Rd	\$ 32,385.00

Total 7.66 **\$604,294.00**

Over the last 7 construction seasons, we have spent a total of \$2,543,833.66 on major road work, which in most cases included grinding, re-establishment of the center line, then 2” of base pavement, followed by overlaying 1.25” of finish pavement (which is why you see the same road name more than once in these lists). We have the voters’ approval to spend \$550,000 more this year which will bring us to 56.54% of the roads in town which have been brought back to acceptable standards.

We want to thank the residents for their support and understanding during the time these various projects have been undertaken. We also want to share with you how these projects have impacted the tax rate over these last 8 years. Starting with 2008 the mil rate:

2008-\$10.3	2012-\$12.4	2016-\$11.9
2009-\$11.3	2013-\$12.4	
2010-\$12.2	2014-\$13.2	
2011-\$12.4	2015-\$13.0	

We are very happy to say that we have held the mil rate fairly flat over these last 8 years. The increased value of the new electrical substation and the gas pipeline have allowed us to keep the tax rate flat while at the same time making significant improvements all around town.

We also want you to know that all of this has occurred at the same time that the cost share formula for the school has been significantly changed, thus increasing our contribution to the school.

We have released the mil rate for 2016 which is listed above and as you see it has dropped again this year. We hope that this information has been helpful to those of you interested in where and how your tax dollars are being used to your benefit.

Respectfully submitted by,
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